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Valley Buzzed

Rogue Helicopter Wakes Residents

By Dick Heuer

The helicopter that buzzed Carmel Valley early Saturday morning didn't just wake people up. It roused them all the way out of their houses at 2 a.m. to try to see what was happening.

If it really was part of a secret military training exercise, as the Federal Aviation Administration now says, the training was obviously much needed -- and not very secret. It is hard to believe that the helicopter pilot was following an approved script when he flew back and forth over Valley homes at high speed and treetop height on a foggy night.

On the other hand, it could have been a counter-terrorism training exercise, with our helicopter pilot playing the role of terrorist hiding from the pursuers. If so, the pilot doesn't need more training. He already knows how to terrorize Valley residents.

The helicopter prompted more than 30 calls to the Sheriff's Department. Betsy Shea who lives by Carmel Valley Road near Laureles Grade, said the helicopter was so low "it made the whole house shake; it was scary."

Rod Mills said it passed over his home at 1:53 a.m. heading up the Valley. By the time it returned seven minutes later, Mills was outside and identified it as a Bell Jet Ranger helicopter. Mills, who used to work for Lockheed Aircraft, doubts that it was a military craft. He believes it was a large helicopter of the type that ferries VIPs around.

Mills described the helicopter as moving at high speed at treetop height on a rainy night with very low visibility. "It was a ridiculous piece of flying," Mills said. The helicopter passed over Mills' home west of the Village near Carmel Valley Road four times.

Marian Weygers was awakened and also went outside to see what was happening. She said the aircraft made a terrible clatter as it circled the La Rancheria area, off Laureles Grade, at a very low altitude.

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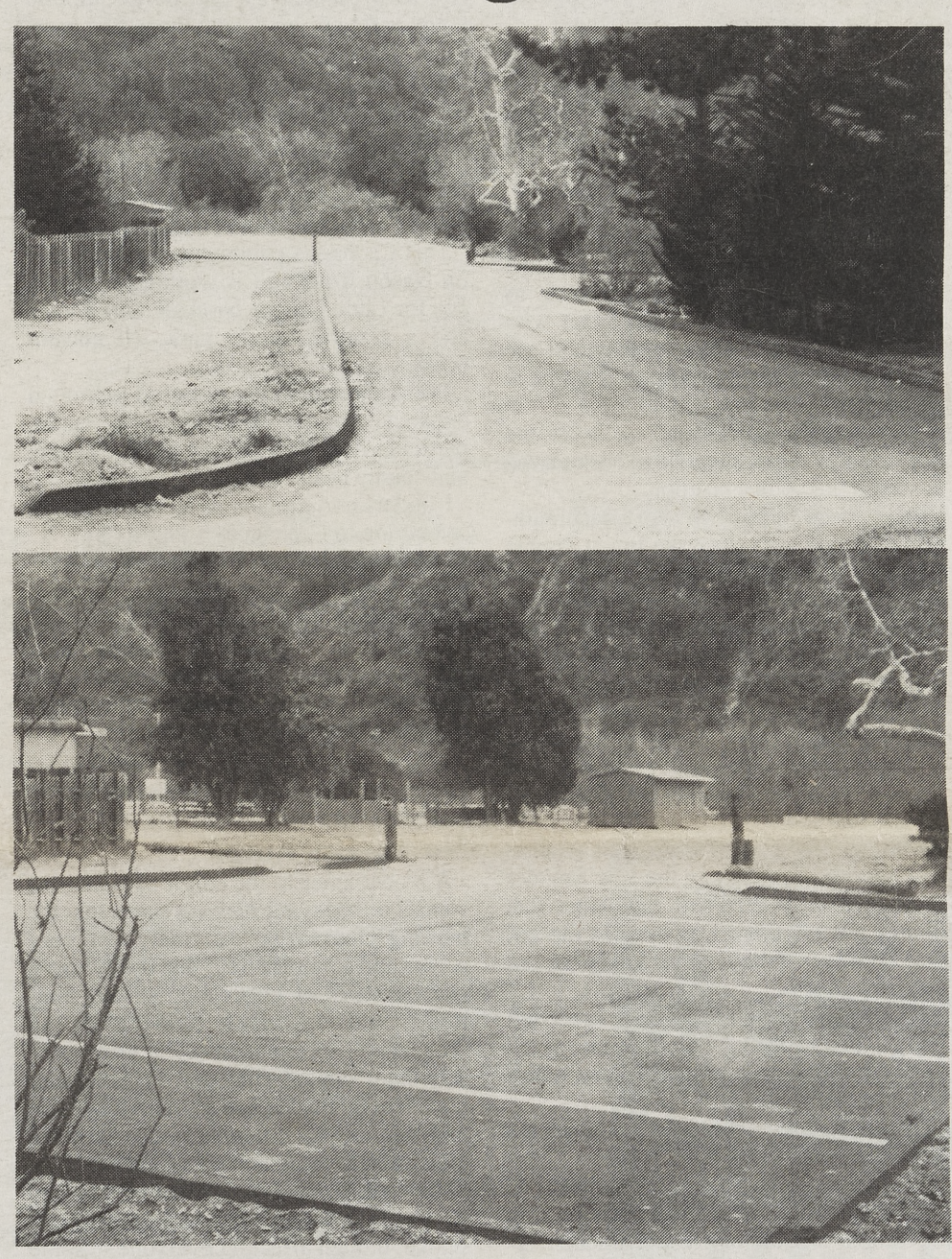
County Seeks Planning Advisors

The Monterey County Planning Commission is seeking persons to serve on several area planning advisory committees. Positions are now open on the Upper Carmel Valley, Lower Carmel Valley and Highlands-Bixby Advisory Committees.

The committees meet twice a month to review and make recommendations to the Planning Commission on permits, variances and other discretionary land use actions within their geographic area of responsibility.

Property owners interested in serving on one of these committees should contact Robert Slimmon, Jr., Director, Monterey County Planning & Building Inspection Department, P.O. Box 1208, Salinas, Ca. 93902. If you have questions, telephone the Planning Department at 1-422-9018 or Commissioner Marit Evans at 1-484-1339.

Little League Park Upgraded



NEW ASPHALT PAVING and curb berms are just two of the major improvements to the Village's Little League Park. The new driveway (top) and six-car parking area (bottom) at the park's entrance greet players and fans for the 1988 season.

More Than $40,000 Invested in Village Park

Major renovation and improvements are nearing completion for Carmel Valley Little League's twin diamond facilities on Paso Hondo.

Gary Tate, district manager for Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District reports California Conservation Corps crews will complete planting and "pole parking controls" in coming weeks to finish more than $35,000 in district improvements.

Little League is investing $5,000 received from Carmel Valley Recreation and Park District.

Regional Park District work includes undergrounding electrical service, installing irrigation waterpipes in preparation for undergrounding sprinklers, placing and finishing more than 900 tons of decomposed granite for parking lots, asphalt paving of the entry driveway (with curbs), and a six-space parking lot.

Richard Rosenthal, L.L. president, reports CVRPD funds will be used to complete as much as possible on needed projects.

These include refinishing the "Old Diamond" infield, upgrading dugouts, replacing broken fences, upgrading existing fencing in compliance with use permit requirements and adding a microwave for the snack bar.

In addition to the scheduled CCC work, volunteer contractor equipment and labor is accomplishing a long-term goal for League directors in building two practice batting cages.

Team tryouts are March 5 and 12, with initial 1988 games starting in April.

Hatton Canyon

Rio Road Alternatives Presented to Caltrans

The Hatton Canyon Freeway Working Group had another marathon meeting on February 19. Again, it ended with no resolution of outstanding concerns but agreement to continue seeking common ground.

Fred Keeley, Assemblyman Sam Farr's chief of staff, chaired the meeting at which representatives of Greiner Engineering presented three alternative concepts for an at-grade intersection at Rio Road. The proposed Caltrans freeway design calls for an overpass at Rio Road. The Caltrans plan has been strongly criticized by community representatives, because it would create an unsightly 25-feet high berm from Carmel Valley Road to the Carmel River, and because it offers no access either on or off the freeway at Rio Road.

Greiner Engineering was asked to develop alternative designs and present them to the working group consisting of representatives of Caltrans, Federal Highway Administration, Senator Henry Mello, Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman, Carmel-by-the-Sea, The Crossroads, Barnyard, Carmel Mission Inn, neighborhood groups and residents.

Greiner Engineering said its plans would provide a level of service D at Rio Road and level of service C at Carmel Valley Road in the year 2010, assuming that current traffic growth projections are accurate.

Caltrans representatives Ken Jones and Jerry Hanto expressed concerns about the safety and efficient operation of the suggested alternatives. Tony Harris and Glenn Clinton, representing the Federal Highway Administration, identified concerns about communication to drivers and the short merge-and-weave distance between the Carmel Valley Road and Rio Road intersections.

However, Clinton said, "If you can convince Caltrans that your schemes are safe

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Leaky Water Pipe Slows Valley Traffic

An eighty-year-old water main is slowing traffic on Carmel Valley Road. A leak from the pipe surfaced on February 20, and repairs now underway have closed one lane of the Valley Road at Begonia Gardens.

According to Cal-American Water Company distribution supervisor Ron Scaccia, it is not a bad leak but is very difficult to repair.

The leak is 20 feet below the present road surface, which has been elevated during successive realignments and reconstruction of the Valley Road. When the 22-inch pipe was installed in 1907, the road surface was at the same level as the adjacent buildings now at Begonia Gardens.

Water loss from the leak is minimal, according to Scaccia, because the water is being drained back to the river where it is recovered by wells.

The leaky pipe is not the main 36-inch transmission line down Carmel Valley Road. It is an offshoot from this line that now serves relatively few homes south of the Valley Road. Water service to these homes has not been affected.

As part of the work now underway, a section of the old pipeline will be deactivated, with water service being provided through an interconnection with a nearby 6-inch pipe.

Scaccia estimates work will be completed about March 8.

LETTERS

County's Actions May Bring Economic Problems To Valley

For many years, Carmel Valley has been a long way in time, distance, and psychology from the population centers of the Monterey Peninsula and the seat of County government in Salinas. As the Carmel Valley evolved both economically and socially, it remained relatively self-sufficient. It had markets, barber shops, and a wide variety of "cottage industry." There was a time when C.V. Rock & Adobe made adobe bricks where the airport now sits.

These "cottage industries" ranged from plumbers, carpenters, and contractors to people who ran such businesses as insurance or real estate offices out of their own homes; the range of such activities ran from part-time office activities (which were largely unnoted) to grading contractors whose activities were more noticeable.

Recently, with the adoption of the C.V. Master Plan, the Monterey County Planning Department has undertaken a program of eliminating some of our more obvious industry. The first to be attacked were several grading contractors...who knows which of us will be next.

Our valley and its residents, and their economy, are highly dependent on the many individuals who operate businesses out of their homes, garages, and backyards. Obviously most, if not all, of these operate from home/offices which are not zoned for such use, and for years, the Planning Department has wisely chosen to ignore this situation.

While the contractor with a backhoe parked in his driveway is perhaps an obvious violation, it is no more of a zoning violation than the business service with a typewriter or computer in the spare bedroom. They are both equally involved in violating the Planning Department's interpretation of our zoning ordinances. Once our Planning Department starts a vigorous, if poorly conceived, campaign to rigidly enforce zoning, there are an incredible number of "cottage industries" which will probably be affected.

Is This What We As Carmel Valley Residents Really Want?

The removal of these existing services will have several major effects on the community. In the first place, not only will some of these services be unavailable locally, but those remaining will become more expensive. In the second place, the total economic loss to the community, caused by businesses leaving the area due to lack of existing facilities suitable to accommodate them, will reduce the dollar value of goods and services produced in Carmel Valley, and this will affect all economic activity in Carmel Valley — large or small!

If you feel that this recent, rigid enforcement of the Zoning Ordinance will adversely affect the valley you live in and love, we hope you will contact the newly formed Contractors' Alliance of Carmel Valley, P.O. Box 1582, CV 93924 or 659-3403 or 659-4996.

Tom Nassetta - President
Victoria A. Rugg - Secretary/Treasurer
Bill Sims - Member
Joel Readio - Member

Burning Defended

If your account of Dr. Ainsworth's address to CVPO Association is correct I wonder if the man shouldn't stick to medicine: "We have given those who burn three years to show us they can use common sense in burning. They have failed."

Who is this imperious "we"? Is the King mad? I didn't know I had been placed in such a precarious position.

I have been burning my lot's accumulation of debris ever since the fire at Pebble Beach — when permitted. I did so because the inflammable litter demonstrably threatened my home and those of my neighbors. A little smoke is hardly the equivalent of a dozen burned homes.

Then to compound the good doctor's seeming distortion of the facts, he goes on to say, "Meteorological conditions in Carmel Valley are identical to Los Angeles and San Jose."

Well, hardly. I spent a career in aviation and anyone who flew in the Los Angeles area prior to WWII will remember that almost always there was haze in the air. One could see quite well vertically but not horizontally.

A very prevalent temperature inversion locked in the haze, which when mixed with combustion products in later years became smog.

Carmel Valley only faintly resembles the Los Angeles basin.

Spill a sack of flour on a roadway, or scatter a handful of asbestos insulation in the breeze and the emotional chicken littles in our present society flutter in frightened disarray and cry the sky is falling. Without reason they can only react.

Jack D. Bruce

C.A.C. Plan Supported

I first want to commend the Cachagua Area Plan Citizens Advisory Committee members for their hard work compiling this plan.

I fully support the C.A.C. and essentially agree with their final plan as now being reviewed.

There will be different views from residents of the area. But I believe it is a good plan and things can be worked out.

One exception, the attack upon the junction of Cachagua and Nason Roads, giving that intersection a bad name.

The school bus stops on that corner four times daily, the high school bus at 6:30 a.m., returns at 4:15 p.m., grammar school bus arrives at 7:45 a.m., returning at 2:30 p.m.

The only problem at the corner involves the junk and abandoned cars, apparently brought down Nason Road by residents of Princes' Camp - being dragged and pushed to the "vacant" property at that corner.

Some of these have broken battery cases, with acid leaking on the cars and the ground around and beneath them. Many leave broken glass.

These cars are very hazardous, posing potential harm to the students waiting for and arriving on the busses.

Kids like to explore old wrecks and are not aware of the toxics and dangerous waste materials that remain in abandoned cars.

At 10 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 14, I had to call the Sheriff's office because of this problem. Children's safety and lives could be at stake.

The other serious hazard these wrecked cars and discarded junk present is reduced visibility for drivers at the intersection.

County officials should immediately inspect this location, and the trailer parks in the area. Junk and dismantled autos are clearly present.

I cannot believe the camps' road conditions satisfy county code.

If the Cachagua/Nason intersection is as bad as presented by one of the mobile home park owners during the public hearings, then the planning commission should require an EIR for his property before any more trailers, or people, are allowed entry.

There should be no over development allowed on Nason Road, putting traffic along Cachagua Road at risk.

This Cachagua community seeks a park on Nason Road and is working to find a site for Little League baseball, Girl Scouts and a general family park, all current needs.

The community does not need unlimited expansion of the existing trailer parks, particularly if they are not subject to normal county health and safety standards.

I understand a planning committee will be coming to Cachagua.

I hope they will look behind all areas of the trailer camps, and not just in the front of these properties.

It might be helpful if the county has a legitimate means for reviewing the "use permits" of these trailer parks and camps to assure compliance with all codes.

John Freitas
Carmel Valley

No to Burning

A recent letter to the editor extolling the virtues of backyard burning states that the burning program is "extremely well conceived and administered," that dates, hours, and numbers of burns are "strictly limited," and describes burning as an "occasional inconvenience," a gross misstatement considering that rules/regulations remain inadequate and unenforceable and that smoke contains many harmful, toxic substances which affect our health.

According to the California Air Resources Board, toxics and particulates from smoke, though affecting everyone in some way, can especially affect those segments of the population with chronic respiratory or heart disease (16%), over 65 seniors (10%, though a disproportionate number of seniors live in C.V.), children under 14 (20%), and athletes (7%), a total of 53% of the population (based on 1978 statistics; since that time there has been a significant increase in the number of births, increasing the percentage of children who may be affected).

Particulates alone, found in smoke, can directly irritate the respiratory tract, constrict airways, interfere with the mucus lining of the airways, and can carry the toxic substances found in smoke to our lungs and directly into the bloodstream. Infants and children, for example, when exposed to smoky environments, have been found to contract an increased number of respiratory tract and ear infections, and may actually risk more health damage than adults because their lungs are not fully developed, and because they inhale several times more air than adults relative to their body size. It is well known that smoke can trigger asthmatic attacks and even respiratory arrest in susceptible individuals.

Exposure to both the direct and cumulative amounts of smoke which result from the few people who burn, impacts the health of a significantly large part of our valley's population. In view of such widespread and serious health effects, it seems irresponsible to consider burning an "occasional inconvenience."

It is also naive to think that no significant burn-related problems exist just because burning is regulated. It has certainly been evident from the excessively smoky and odorous conditions and the number of improper/illegal fires which have occurred in just the first 8 weeks of our 5 month burn season, that existing rules/regulations remain entirely inadequate for our valley.

The health and environmental problems caused by smoke/odor are still not and I believe cannot be addressed without a total ban on backyard burning. Additional restrictions, suggested by some, have not proven effective in the past, and will not ever adequately address the problem of understaffed Fire Districts and the resultant lack of burn patrolling/enforcement, our valley's special meteorological and topographic conditions which keep smoke trapped, people who continue to burn improperly, and the resultant smoky conditions which can occur, even from just one or two fires.

It is folly to think that because our "rural" valley's air is clean, it is acceptable to foul it in this way. Those citing "personal freedom" as a reason to continue burning take away others' freedom to breath clean air even on their own property.

Those seeking to end this unhealthful and environmentally polluting practice should contact the Committee Against Backyard Burning at 659-0182 or P.O. Box 2157, C.V. 93924

Patricia L Mann

Thanks to Cachagua Volunteer Fire Dept.

We wish to express our extreme gratitude to the Cachagua Volunteer Fire Department, the Carmel Valley and Mid Valley Volunteer Fire Departments, the California Department of Forestry and the Conservation Corps for the outstanding and prompt response to the large brush fire which could easily have destroyed our home.

Upon learning of the fire, it took us thirty minutes to get home, during which time we wondered if we would find anything left to salvage and if we would be able to find a motel in which to live that would allow our dog and cat. So imagine our delight upon discovering our home completely safe and the fire already under control.

The area in which they were fighting the blaze is tinder dry; the terrain is best suited for four-legged creatures, not men. Added to those problems was a brisk breeze, which fortunately shifted away from our house. But they had the house surrounded and were prepared to do whatever they could to save it. It is the duty of the Forestry service and the Conservation Corps to save forest lands, not homes. So we, and those who live over the ridge from us, must be most appreciative of their efforts. In a dry year like this, fire season does not truly end with the coming of winter drizzles, which is something to certainly keep in mind. We hope everyone in the Carmel Valley area will continue to generously support and meet the needs of our three fine fire departments.

Terry & Tonia Williams

New Babies

Satomi Derrick, son, born to **Hiroko & Stewart Suzuki**, February 13.

Nicolas Patrick, son, born to **Patti & Patrick McEldowney**, February 9.

Kathryn Ilise, daughter, born to **Tamara & Mathew Laskowski**, February 9.

Henry Emmet Saulsbury Woolard, son, born to **Patricia Saulsbury & Robin Woolard**, February 9.

Abigail Dawn, daughter, born to **Marguerite & Donald Lingenfelter**, February 6.

Brian Wiliam, son, born to **Gail & Jerry Clark,** February 5.

Chase Elliott, son, born to **Tamara & Brent Waldman**, January 29.

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Tularcitos Shamrock Gala

Members and friends of the Tularcitos Elementary School community are invited to the second annual Tularcitos Shamrock Gala, Saturday, March 12th, at Hidden Valley Music Seminars.

An Irish dinner, prepared by A Moveable Feast, will be served from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. A live auction will begin at 8 p.m., followed at 9 p.m. with dancing to the music of Cheeky Spanks.

Admission is $20 per person, adults only, which includes dinner, choice of one beverage and dancing. Black tie is optional! Tickets are available at the Tularcitos Elementary School office, the Carmel Valley Hair Center, Kasey's and the Flower Connection in the Crossroads Shopping Center. Tickets are also available at the door.

This year's Shamrock Gala drawing offers as first prize a holiday for a family of four to Disneyland for two days and two nights of fun. Second prize is a limousine service and dinner for two at Old House Restaurant. Door prizes will also be given during the gala evening. Proceeds will benefit children of the Tularcitos Elementary School.

Nichols and Gaily

Valley Swimmers Earn Honors

Two youthful Valley swimmers were named to the USS Pacific Swimming Association All-Star Team in January.

Kyle Nichols and Aaron Gaily attained All-Star status after Dec. 11-13 competition at Pacifica and Jan. 16 team races at Santa Rosa.

Nichols, son of Warren and Freddi Nichols, placed 4th in the 50-yard breaststroke, in 35:50 seconds; and seventh in the 50-yard freestyle, in 27:26, swimming in the 11-12 year age group.

Gaily, son of Ralph and Suzanne Gaily, placed fourth in the 50-yard backstroke, clocking 36:48, and 6th in the 50-yard freestyle, in 30:35 seconds, racing in the 10-years and under division.

More than 500 "AA" or higher ability level swimmers competed for positions on association teams, with Aaron placing on the South team, and Kyle selected for the West team.

Kyle achieved recognition as the Region's Outstanding Swimmer for his age group, based upon times recorded during the previous competition year, from among several hundred swimmers.

He is ranked tenth nationally in 50-yard breaststroke and 50-meter freestyle, 11th nationally in the 50-meter breaststroke.

Aaron continues to train with the "Peninsula area" Barracudas, a parent-sponsored competition team.

Kyle trained and raced with the Barracudas for six years, and this month transferred to Hartnell College's "senior swimming program" offering advanced training, a single pool location and a more advanced competitive situation. Under USS Pacific rules, he must compete "unattached" for four months after changing teams.

CARMEL VALLEY AQUAMEN—Attaining All-Star status following 1987-88 regional age-group swimming competition were Aaron Gaily (left) and Kyle Nichols. Nichols has achieved national ranking in three events, being named Outstanding Swimmer in the 11 to 12 year group.

Village Waste Disposal Facility To Open Again on Saturdays

The waste disposal facility in the Village will be open again on Saturdays, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., effective immediately.

Carmel Valley Disposal Service, which operates the transfer facility at 9 Pilot Road, eliminated the Saturday hours last October for economic reasons. The Saturday service has now been restored in response to numerous public requests.

Walter Wong, Director of Environmental Health for Monterey County, who handles permits and licenses for waste disposal facilities, informed the *Sun* that he received about 20 calls concerning the Saturday hours. Wong convened an office hearing with the owners of Carmel Valley Disposal Service to explore how the Saturday service could be continued.

Although also open to the public, the Village facility is primarily a transfer station. Garbage trucks in the Valley transfer their loads there to a large container, holding 70 cubic yards of waste, which is then transported daily to the dump in Marina. This means individual garbage trucks don't need to make the 60 mile round trip to Marina.

According to Jim Carroll, co-owner of Carmel Valley Disposal Service, Saturday hours have been uneconomical because his company does not make garbage pickups on Saturday. The only material brought to the transfer station on Saturdays is that brought by members of the public. The volume is not sufficient to justify a special trip to Marina, yet the use permit prohibits garbage being kept at the transfer station over night.

Carmel Valley Disposal Service has agreed to Wong's request that the facility remain open on Saturdays as a public service. In return, Carroll hopes the County will reconsider some terms of the use permit when the permit is renewed.

Specifically, Carroll said, the current use permit prohibits garbage trucks from dumping their loads after 12 noon. The company would like this extended to 2 p.m., as the trucks cannot always complete their pickup runs by noon. The cost savings from this change would offset the added cost of staying open Saturdays, according to Carroll.

The waste disposal facility is now open to the public Monday through Saturday, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. There are separate bins for aluminum, glass, newspaper and cardboard, all of which are recycled.

Virginia Jastram

Virginia Jastram died on Sunday, February 28, after a long illness. She had lived in Carmel Valley for 14 years. Mrs. Jastram was for many years a teacher and school administrator in the field of vocational education. Her book on the subject was considered authoritative; her reputation was national.

Mrs. Jastram is survived by her husband, Roy, professor Emeritus of UC., Berkeley. She also leaves three daughters; Cornelia Mayrhofer of Stockton; Justine Hobson of Washington D.C.; Martha Schwarz of Palo Alto.

Memorial services are planned for 2 p.m. Saturday, March 5 in St. Dunstan's Church, Robinson Canyon Road.

Blackthorne Opens Carmel Rancho Shop

The Village's Blackthorne Hot Tubs and Spas has opened its third store in Carmel Rancho Shopping Center.

Locksin Thompson, Blackthorne's founding owner/operator, reports the new store will be open daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. It will offer free computerized water analysis, with inventories of pool and spa chemicals and accessories.

Blackthorne carries a complete line of saunas, steamrooms, hot tubs and spas.

Patrick A. Briscoe is manager of Blackthorne at Carmel Rancho, which is located across from Giuseppi's Pizza, behind Valley Auto Supply and Baskin Robbins.

Patrick has worked for Blackthorne in the Carmel Valley Village store and shop for the past three years.

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SHERIFF'S LOG

THEFTS AND NEAR THEFTS

TIERRA GRANDE. Resident reports his house entered and several doors taken. *(Doors to what?)* 2/11.

HACIENDA CARMEL. Daughter of resident reports diamond ring worth $3,500 lost between January 21—24 in her residence. 2/12.

NASON RD. Resident reports theft of pistol from cabin in Cachagua area. Pistol is 6" blue steel, 41 mag, Ruger Black Hawk contained in a brown leather shoulder holster with white nylon strap. Gun has black rubber handles. No value given. 2/14.

PANACHE, THE BARNYARD. Manager reports that someone kicked out the front door glass during the night and took $250 in cash. 2/17.

EL CAMINITO. Resident reports losing key ring somewhere in her residence. *(Probably a daily occurrence in most homes!)* 2/18.

BERWICK DR. Tenant reports neighboring office broken into during weekend. Typewriter, radio, phone taken. No value given. 2/22.

VALLEY GREENS CIRCLE. Resident reports his wife unable to find several pieces of jewelry she believed she placed into their safe before a recent trip. No value given. 2/23.

FOR BETTER ...OR WORSE

THE CROSSROADS. Anonymous report states elderly man wandering around Rio Road Arco station. Carmel man reunited with his wife at Sprouse-Reitz. 2/22.

THE YOUNGER GENERATION

VILLAGE INN, THE CROSSROADS. Waiter reports two female juveniles left without paying for their food. No value given. *(It's not polite to eat and run! For Shame!)* 2/12.

LAUREL DR. Resident reports two juveniles throwing rocks in her swimming pool and attempting to steal eggs from her chickens. Juveniles warned to stay off resident's property. 2/15.

CARMEL VALLEY RD. Resident reports 13-year-old son a runaway. 2/16.

STAR RTE. Resident reports foster child attempted to steal his vehicle and broke window out of his house. 17-year-old girl taken to Juvenile Hall. 2/22.

ARRIBA del MUNDA. Resident reports young people gathering at end of her road on weekend. Would like area checks during late evening and early morning hours. 2/23.

ON LOVING THY NEIGHBOR

THE CROSSROADS. Man reports hearing a woman scream in vicinity of Crossroads Cinema. *(Maybe it was an awful movie.)* 2/12.

CACHAGUA RD. Resident reports his roommate's guest causing a disturbance. Gone on arrival. 2/13.

CENTER ST. Resident reports something thrown into swimming pool overnight. Possibly soap. *(They do make bathtubs too small these days!)* 2/13.

NO LOCATION LISTED. Carmel woman reports going for a walk with a Carmel Valley man. After the walk, he began acting strangely, and she jumped out of the car. 2/14.

CACHAGUA. Resident reports two abandoned vehicles on his property at the southeast corner of Nason and Cachagua Roads. 2/14.

ROBINSON CYN RD. Schulte Rd. resident reports structure fire at Zen Buddhist Temple. Mid Carmel Valley Fire Department responded. Sheriff's units responded to evacuate, direct traffic, and miscellaneous. 2/14.

DEL MESA CARMEL. Resident reports that a strange woman, whom she did not know, was knocking on her front door. Subject turned out to be her nurse checking up on her. 2/15.

RUNNING IRON, CV VILLAGE. Bartender reports brawl in progress. *(Well, who won?)* 2/16.

EL CAMINO ESTRADA. Resident reports receiving annoying telephone calls from an unknown caller for the past three months. Caller never says anything. 2/17.

CARMEL VALLEY RD. A large pile of trash found at the 13.6 mile marker found to belong to Paso Mediano man. His wife agreed to have him clean it up. 2/18.

CACHAGUA RD. Woman reports being battered by another woman and a man of the same address. 2/18.

HITCHCOCK CYN RD. Resident called to report her son-in-law in a fight with a friend. Both gone on arrival. 2/20.

CACHAGUA RD. Resident called to report man on her property in violation of court order. 2/21.

COUNTRY CLUB DR. Resident requests welfare check on his friend who has been despondent. Man contacted at business and was OK. 2/21.

VANDALISM

CACHAGUA BAR & PACK STATION. Paso Robles cowboy reports all four tires of his 1971 Cadillac were slashed while it was parked outside the Bar & Pack Station. 2/11.

STORY RD. Resident called to report someone scratched obscenities on his van during the night. 2/17.

ESQUILINE RD. Resident reports mailbox knocked off its post sometime last night. 2/18.

ESQUILINE RD. Local business reports rear cab window broken in one of its service trucks parked in rear of Rosie's Crackerbarrel. 2/23.

CHECK AND DOUBLE CHECK

VILLAGE PIZZA. Clerk reports bad checks from local man. No amount given. 2/16.

ALBERTSON'S. Accountant reports woman passed several bad checks. No amount given. 2/17.

MID VALLEY SAFEWAY. Employee reports cashing bad checks drawn on account of San Jose man. 2/19.

THINGS THAT GO BUMP IN THE NIGHT

SLEEPY HOLLOW RD. House guest reports hearing strange noises in the house and saw a shadow in the yard. Noises were probably the water heater. *(Who or what was the shadow?)* 2/13.

THE CROSSROADS. Security Guard reports hearing noises coming from inside Great Scott's Pizza. Business locked and secured. No sign of forced entry. 2/22.

ONE (OR MORE) TOO MANY

MID VALLEY SHOPPING CTR. Man arrested for being drunk in public at the Laundromat. 2/13.

GOING TO POT...OR WHATEVER

THE CROSSROADS. Carmel man found under the influence of cocaine. 2/21.

CV COMMUNITY CENTER. Woman reports periodic drug sales going on in Community Center parking lot. *(Can this be?)* 2/23.

GOING TO THE DOGS

SADDLE MTN. PARK. Resident reports barking dog somewhere on the other side of Carmel River. *(When I'm calling you...ooo...ooo!)* 2/18.

ODDS & ENDS

DEL MESA CARMEL. Resident reports receiving a telephone call from an outfit called Extra Life from Las Vegas. Was told he could win one of five prizes providing he first charges eight months worth of vitamin pills on his credit card. Deputy called — it's a legit outfit. 2/11.

CROSSROADS. Manager reports a telephoned bomb threat received at store. Store searched and no bomb found. *(Worm in an apple, perhaps?)* 2/15.

CARMEL HIGH SCHOOL. Patrol observation of open windows in rooms 11 through 14. Maintenance man responded and secured the building. 2/21.

LOS LAURELES GRADE. Four Salinas men found in possession of handguns and hunting dogs during traffic stop on Grade. Referred to Fish and Game. *(And what did Fish and Game do?)* 2/22.

Nelsons Join Tin Lizzie

Bill and Liz Nelson, of the Village's International Seafood Restaurant fame, are spreading their wings even further after assuming operating partner roles at Tin Lizzie on Delfino Place.

The Nelsons are now in partnership with Jack and Sandy Axelrod, and Carol Davies, in Tin Lizzie. They are also continuing their original Nelson's International Seafood Restaurant at the corner of Pilot and C.V. Roads, just around the corner in the Village, with that established evening dinner schedule of fine dining menu and service.

Bill denies cutting his teeth on a chef's wooden spoon, but he certainly was influenced by his grandparents' "Four Star" Santa Monica restaurant, Jacks-at-the-Beach. He first went into that kitchen to work at age 14.

At 16, while in high school, he apprenticed with Milwaukee's Marc Plaza Hotel's Le Bistro. After high school, he moved to Monterey's Hyatt Regency as banquet chef -- prior to his 18th birthday.

Responsibility for gourmet food and ice carvings followed at the Doubletree as banquet chef. He also was Chef de Cuisine and purchasing director at Old Fisherman's Grotto on the Wharf, and Chef de Cuisine at Mt. Madonna Inn above Santa Cruz County on Hecker Pass.

In Dec., 1983, newly-weds Bill and Liz Nelson opened their Seafood Restaurant in the Village. Bill was 21 years of age.

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C.V. Post Office: Is It Run For The People Or The Bureaucracy?

Order Removing Art Exhibits Arouses Community Ire

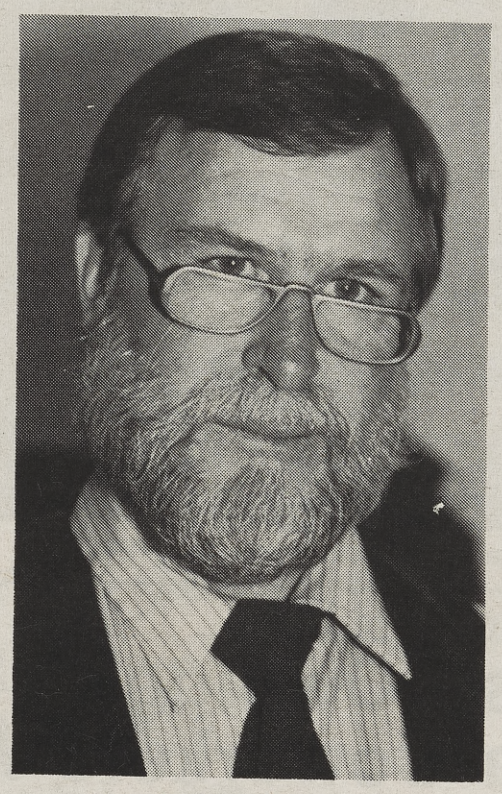
By Grace Darcy

For the past year, and to the delight of its patrons, the Carmel Valley Post Office has featured the works of local artists on the north wall of the customer service area of the building. Featuring a different artist each month, the display included water colors, oil paintings, ceramics, pastels, photographs, and mixed media works by some of our most talented local people. At least, that was the pattern until February 22, when someone from the USPO Director of Field Operations Office in San Jose visited the Carmel Valley Post Office, said the display violated regulations, and ordered Post Master Terry Williams to remove the current exhibit immediately and refrain from putting up any future exhibits.

"We have received more compliments on the art in the lobby than anything we've ever done," said postal employee Richard Newcom, sadly shaking his head.

"Everyone who knows what happened is very unhappy about our having to take it down," added Postmaster Terry Williams.

"The exhibits have been up for a year, and we have a year's worth of artists waiting," said postal employee Ray Lindsay, whose job it will be to notify waiting artists that their works will not be displayed in the Carmel Valley Post Office.



Terry Williams, Postmaster

The *Sun* contacted August Ruiz, Manager of the USPO Communications Department in San Jose. It is Mr. Ruiz's position that the exhibits are in violation of Section 113.82 of the Domestic Mail Manual. The section reads as follows: *Prohibited Items*. Private business advertisements; placards, cards or notices, photographs or likenesses of any member of state legislature or Congress; and political pictures, cartoons, or other matter designed to influence an election may not be displayed on bulletin boards established in accordance with 113.81.

Section 113.81 permits Postmasters to allow bulletin boards "to be placed in public areas of post offices, or set apart some convenient place where official Government notices, notices of public assemblies, judicial sales...may be displayed for the convenience of customers." Section 113.81 further states that "These display privileges will be afforded without discrimination."

Although neither Section 113.81 nor Section 113.82 expressly mention art exhibits, as allowable subjects for the permitted bulletin boards, neither do they expressly forbid such usage.

Mr. Ruiz, however, sees the art exhibits as falling under that portion of section 113.82 that prohibits private business advertisements. The fact that *all* artists routinely sign their works, and that no prices were affixed to the hangings nor were any sales solicited did not dissuade Mr. Ruiz from his position. He told the *Sun*, however, that he would speak with Larry Bzoskie, Director of Field Operations, concerning the matter.

Does Postmaster Williams have any leeway? Not according to Mr. Ruiz. "When the Field Director makes a decision, and supports that decision with documentation, the Postmaster *will abide* by that decision," he said. In this instance, the "supporting documentation" is Section 113.82 of the Domestic Mail Manual.

Karen Vandenhurst, Associate Office Coordinator for the Director of Field Operations, and the official who ordered the removal of the exhibit, told the *Sun* her decision was based upon Section 113.82. No visits were made to Carmel Valley for a year, thus, Ms. Vandenhurst's visit was the first time the Director of Field Operations became aware of the lobby art exhibits. The bureaucratic edict, then, resulted from what appears to be a rare visit to this area, although certainly, the "visit" would have taken place sooner or later. It is the Director of Field Operations' interpretation of Section 113.82 that is the crux of the matter.

"The Post Office Department's position is that it would rather see its own products displayed," Ms. Vandenhurst said. Reminded that most Post Office patrons were fully aware of what items are sold in Post Offices, Ms. Vandenhurst reiterated the Post Office Department's position. According to Section 113.81, however, the bulletin board is for the "convenience of customers," not the U.S. Post Office.

Ms. Vandenhurst, a pleasant young woman who appeared willing to be as helpful as her office allowed, promised to research the matter further, although she was not optimistic.

"I really don't see allowing it to continue," she said, "but I will look into it further, and will see if we can override."

Can the public take action to protect its own interest in having its Post Office remain an integral and participating part of the community? According to August Ruiz, "As a citizen, you can do what you want."

For Postmaster Terry Williams, there's nothing to do but comply. "I have no choice right now," he said, glumly.

Perhaps, if need be, new Postmaster General Anthony M. Frank, may be willing to intercede for the people.

In the meantime, Carmel Valley residents, appalled that the lobby art has been removed, will see envelopes, boxes, tapes, and other Post Office "products" displayed (artistically, perhaps?) where once they enjoyed sharing local artists' concepts of the people and places that make Carmel Valley the warm and friendly place it is.

Youth Center Pool Will Get Chairs

Carmel Valley Community Youth Center's Pool will receive new lounge chairs for 1988.

C.V. Recreation and Park District trustees voted to finance the chairs during their February meeting.

"This is something we've talked about for a long time, and as a pool user, I for one, am glad to see this finally happening, " Debbie Saxton, president of the Park District Board said.

The chairs will be available at pool-side on a "first come, first served" basis.

The board agreed to fund $5,000 of a requested $7,200 for the Little League park.

League President Richard Rosenthal and Larry Parrish outlined most of the proposals as needed for general safety.

District Director Fred Slabaugh noted that the League's requests totaled about 14% of the district's budget.

Director Randy Randazzo suggested partial funding, until the district determines what needs will be, with negotiations for the Marquard property still incomplete.

Board approval for the $5,000 carried a proviso that the League could resubmit for the balance after the district's property negotiations are complete.

CVRPD directors will meet at 7 p.m., March 9 in the Activity House, Ford Road.

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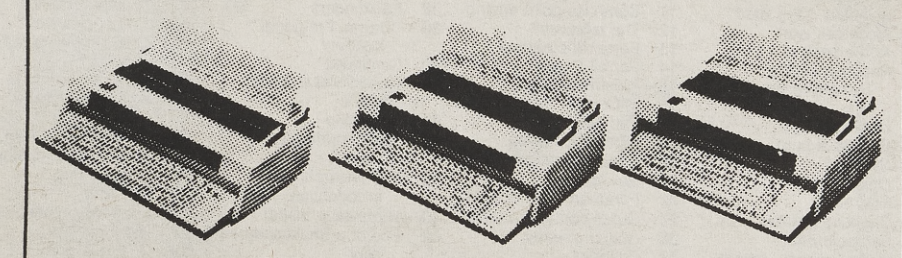

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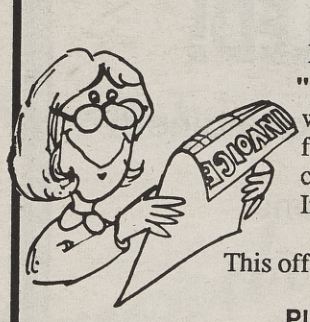

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TAMMY FREDRICKS' EMOTIONS were evident as she clutched the first "Marrianne Royall Scholarship" plague, moments after John Olin completed the presentation. (*Sun* Photo)

Sally reacts to the scholarship announcement. (Sun Photo)

"Cry for happy" (Jane Olin Photo)

'I can't believe you people.'

Sally Fredricks' Ten Years Noted

'Mississ Owhiggins' Honored By Sierra Coworkers And Friends

Sally Fredricks, newly-appointed vice-president and senior employee of Carmel Valley Village-based Sierra Instruments, was honored Feb. 13 at C.V. Trail and Saddle Club.

The long-planned "top secret" party succeeded in every area, totally surprising "Mississ Owhiggins", and then delivering an even more stunning surprise for her and daughter, Tammy.

The second surprise came in the form of the First Marianne Royall Scholarship for Sierra employee children, awarded to Tammy, who has become an established part-time worker for the company.

Presentation of the $2,000 scholarship presented difficulties as John Olin, company founder and president, and virtually the entire company workforce present, were visibly affected by reference to the late Marianne Royall, who was one of the company's first valley employees. (She died of cancer in June, 1987.)

Ms. Royall joined Sierra in January, 1977. Ms. Fredricks began working the following April. In 1987, they were the company's senior employees in a closeknit Sierra family."

Ms. Fredricks admitted thinking, as Olin began talking of the scholarship and "Marianne", "Why is John doing this at my party, since he knows it hurts all of us so much, just to think of Marianne?"

Moments later, Olin answered that question, sparking tearfully-joyous responses from Sally, Tammy and her sister Teresa, and the entire assemblage.

Preceding Olin's presentation of the scholarship, which Tammy will use in attending Sonoma State University as a business major, Sally opened several gifts from management, staff and friends.

For the Fredricks family, the "Marianne Royall Scholarship's" financial benefits were clearly outweighed by realization that Tammy received "The First" award.

From that point, "tears of joy" were almost completely replaced by "good times for all", with an "in-house" barbecue and buffet dinner, followed by dancing to "Strictly Country."

It was suggested that one of the gifts, an elaborate calculator, clock and desk set combination, could have its first work in calculating how many times "Missis Owhiggins" said, "I can't believe you people pulled this whole surprise off in the Village. You know you can't keep a secret here.

Sierra, first established by Olin on the East Coast, relocated to the Village in September of 1975.

The company designs, assembles and calibrates high-technology "gas flow meter and regulation" equipment.

Olin reported that the "heavy casting and machining work" is contracted with vendors out of the Valley, with "clean" manufacturing functions carried out in the Village Center building, and office staff housed on Pilot Road.

The company is owned by Olin and David Korpi. ***DM***

GENTRAIN SOCIETY of MPC; March 15-17-22-24, "Timely Health Topics", Semester fee $10. Short course meets 1-3 p.m., Rm 102, Social Science Bldg.,646-4224.

March 16, 1 p.m., Lecture Forum 101, "Weather Trends for the Peninsula", by Robert Renard.

Crosswords PLUS

ACROSS

1 Coe foe
6 Business' "Big Blue"
9 Klopstock work
12 At the peak of
16 Rachmaninoff's Symphony No. 3 in ___
17 Linoleum layer
19 Blackjack burg
20 *Salome*?
23 *Otello*?
24 Kosher
25 Diamond corners
26 Barnacle Bills
27 Money, money, money
28 Pa Clampett
29 Car whose brakes made '86 headlines
32 Kareem, in college
33 *Siegfried*?
41 Funicello's friend
42 Contemporaries
43 High-tech device
44 Kelly's possum
46 Comfort, in Cannes
47 Day, in Durango
50 Down in the bedroom?
51 Teetotal
53 Trojan king
55 Patty Hearst's kidnappers: Abbr.
56 Noble family of Ferrara
58 Ending for art or part
59 Σ
60 Charge charge
62 Proposal
63 *Lohengrin*?
66 French quarter?
67 Vacuum-cleaner part
68 Package-store buy
69 "Chances Are" singer
71 Author Seton
73 Tranquilizes
78 Rigel's in it
79&83 *Tosca*?
85 Takes before Wapner
86 Deprogram
87 Crow's-nest cry
88 Further
89 Quinella, e.g.
90 The latest thing in prefixes?
91 Author Calvino

DOWN

1 D-Day beachhead
2 Workroom grippers
3 ___ *nous*
4 Banderillero's targets
5 Ore car
6 " ___ Hammer"
7 Dr. Kildare's hospital
8 Girls with gats
9 Black-and-white treat
10 Laura of *Blue Velvet*
11 Compass point ending
12 The relatives?
13 Ferrante's partner
14 For all to see
15 Westminster's ___ Corner
16 Flat next to the mgr.'s, maybe
18 Edison's sneezer Fred
21 Gas gauge
22 Foreman's foe in Zaire
27 Out-of-control protests
28 Gnagy of early TV
29 Chopper
30 P.O. box filler
31 Sen. Edmund Muskie (___)
33 What collars cover
34 Use
35 A Gabor
36 Robt. ___
37 Vacant, perhaps
38 Faultfinders
39 "Damn, I'm good!" believer
40 Continues
44 Medallionlike design piece
45 Fairy king
47 "Start stuffing your face!"
48 The Wizard's self-introduction, 1939
49 Microwave maker
52 End of a Shakespearean play
54 Gam of films
57 Puts away
60 Cold storage?
61 Extreme
62 Curly poker?
63 Dresses
64 "Oh, yeah?"
65 Enervated feeling, with "the"
66 Dressing-down
69 Cow's newsworthy suitor?
70 GOP, for now
71 Arms merchant Khashoggi
72 Eleanor, to Teddy
73 *Rumba Is My Life* author
74 Ringling ring
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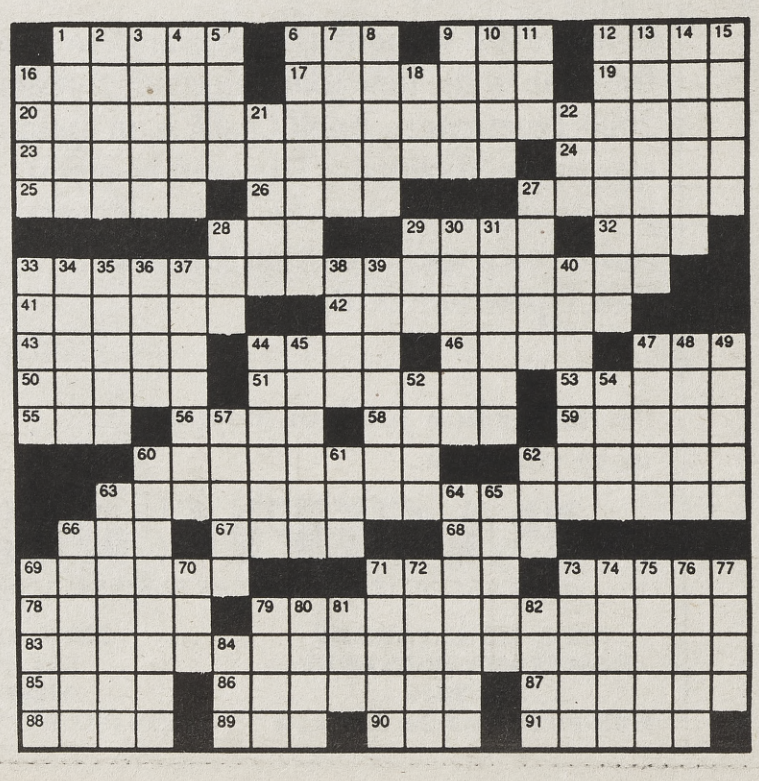
77 His: Spanish
79 ___ qua non
80 Erstwhile Interior secretary
81 Linguistic suffix
82 Tropical paradise
84 Wolfpack vessel



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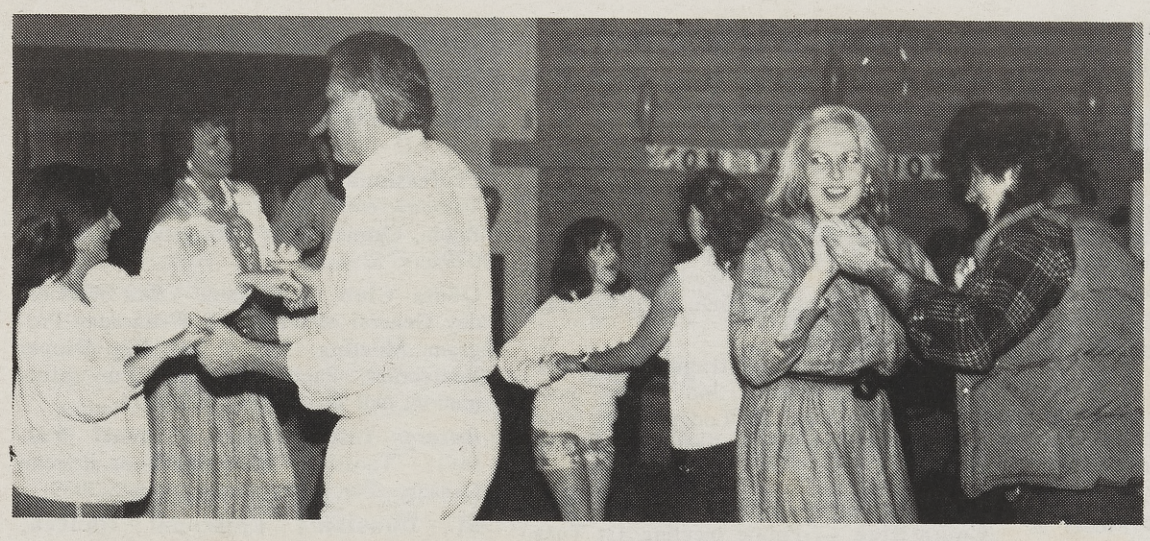

STRICTLY COUNTRY GOOD TIMES—Sierra co-workers, family members and friends danced the evening away at Sally's surprise party. (From left), Denise Adams, Jane Olin, John Olin, "Missis Owhiggins" and Biron King. (*Sun* Photo)

Woman's Club Sets Spring Fashion Show

Carmel Valley Woman's Club's 1988 Spring Fashion Show will be March 16.

The Wednesday luncheon show is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. at Mission Inn.

In the March 2 meeting, Woman's Club members heard Ann Flint speak on Carmel's Tor House and its builder, Poet Robinson Jeffers. Revised by-laws were voted on by members.

For information on club membership please contact Shirley at 375-7967, or Ann Marshall at 659-5449.

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Let's Get Involved

These community organizations invite you to attend their meetings. Any other organizations that wish to be included in future listings should please contact the *Sun*.

Al-Anon - For friends and relatives of alcoholics. Thursday, 8 p.m. in Arts & Crafts Room at Rippling River, 53 E. Carmel Valley Rd. For information, call 373-2532.

ALATEEN - For teenage relatives and friends of alcohiolics. Thursday, 8 p.m. at C.V. Community Chapel, Paso Hondo & Village Dr. For information, call 373-2532.

Alcoholics Anonymous - Meets at various locations in Carmel Valley and elsewhere on the Peninsula. Call 373-3713 for dates and times.

Alliance on Aging - Every Friday, program at 11:30 a.m. and lunch at 12:30 p.m. at Pacific Grove Community Center, 515 Junipero, Pacific Grove. For information, call 646-4636.

American Association of University Women - For information, call Dr. Hirsch 372-0177.

Audubon Society - 2nd Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Carmel High School Library. For information, call 375-0307 or 373-7669.

Bridge and Canasta Group - 4th Wednesday, 12:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall at Community Chapel. For information, call 659-4881.

California Native Plant Society - 3rd Tuesday, 7:30 p.m., Carmel High School Library. For information, call 624-8497.

Carmel Area Coalition - Meets as needed. For information, call 624-7494.

Carmel River Steelhead Association - 2nd Monday, 7:30 p.m., Crossroads Community Room. For information, call 625-2255.

Carmel River Watch - Meets as needed. For information, call 624-7494.

Carmel Valley Chamber of Commerce - 2nd Thursday, noon luncheon, various locations. For information, call 659-4000.

Carmel Valley Community Chapel-Village Drive at Paso Hondo. Sunday Worship & Sunday School 11 a.m.-12 noon. For Information, call 659-2278/3030.

Carmel Valley Garden Club - 2nd Thursday, 8 p.m., St. Dunstan's Church. For information, call 659-2410.

Carmel Valley Gem and Mineral Society - 2nd Friday, 7:30 p.m., Crossroads Community Room.

Carmel Valley Property Owners Association - 2nd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., St. Dunstan's Church. For information, call 659-4936.

Carmel Valley Village Improvement Committee - 2nd Friday, noon lunch at Los Laurales Lodge. For information and to confirm meeting, call 659-3089.

Carmel Valley Village Master Plan Committee — Public meeting 1st Tuesday, 7-9 p.m. Activity House, CVCYC.

Carmel Valley Women's Club - 1st Wednesday, noon luncheon, at different locations between September and June. For information, call 659-5329 or 375-7967.

Embroiderers' Guild of America - 1st Monday, 7 to 9 p.m., at New Monterey Neighborhood Centre, Lighthouse and Dickman, Monterey. For information, call 624-0890.

Friends of Carmel Valley Library - 1st Tuesday, 7 p.m., at Carmel Valley Library. For information, call 659-2377.

Kiwanis - Tuesdays, noon lunch, Hidden Valley. For information, call 625-3911.

League of Women Voters - 2nd Thursday, noon lunch, Presbyterian Church, 501 El Dorado, Monterey. For information, call 375-2005.

Lions Club - 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 7:30 a.m., Crossroads Community Room. For information, call 624-3580.

Lower Carmel Valley Advisory Committee meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at St. Phillip's Lutheran Church, 8056 CV Road. 7 p.m.

Monterey County Board of Supervisors - Tuesdays, 9 a.m., Supervisors Chambers in County Courthouse, Salinas. For information on agenda, call 424-8611 ext 265.

Monterey County Commission on the Status of Women. 1st Wednesday, 7 p.m., Castroville Court House. For information, call 1-755-449/659-3933.

Monterey County Planning Commission - 2nd and last Wednesdays. 9 a.m., Supervisors Chambers in County Courthouse, Salinas. For information on agenda, call Planning Department, 422-9018.

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District - 2nd Monday, 7:30 p.m., Monterey City Council Chambers. For information on agenda, call 649-4866.

New Forum - 3rd Monday, noon lunch at The Lodge, Pebble Beach, reservations required. For information, call 372-3469.

Oriental Art Society of Monterey Peninsula - 2nd Tuesday, Social Hour 7:30 p.m., Meeting 8 p.m. at Community Room of the Crossroads. For information, call 625-1847.

Professional Woman's Network - 3rd Tuesday, 6:45 p.m., Crossroads Community Room, Carmel. For information, call 646-0796.

Quota Club of Carmel - 2nd Wednesday General Meeting, 4th Wednesday Program Meeting, 7 p.m. at Big Dipper Restaurant, Pacific Grove. For information, call D. Amaral, 649-4674.

Rotary International (Carmel Valley) - Tuesdays, noon lunch at Rancho Canada. For information, call 625-3939.

St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church, Robinson Canyon Road, Church Services, Sunday; 8 a.m. - Holy Communion, 10 a.m. - Worship Service, Sunday School; Wednesday, 7 & 10 a.m. - Holy Communion. For information, call 624-6646.

Sierra Club - 1st Tuesday, 7:30 p.m., Carmel High Library. For information, call 6624-8032.

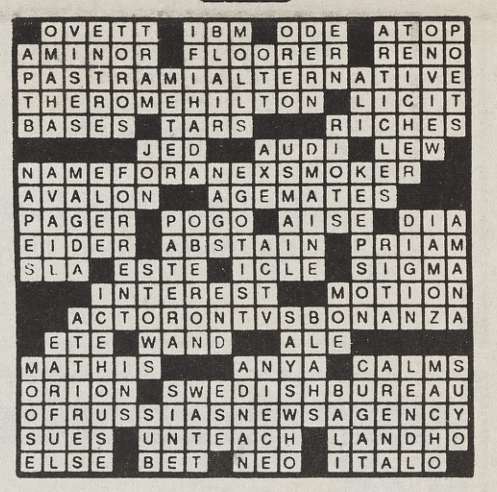
Soroptimist International of Carmel Bay - 2nd, 3rd & 4th Wednesdays, noon lunch sat Pine Inn, Carmel. For information, call Judy Brooke, 624-8501

Soroptimist Club of Monterey Peninsula - 1st and 3rd Thursdays, noon lunch at Surdi's Restaurant, Monterey. For information, call M. Oksayan, 624-7019.

Unity Center for Creative Living - Sundays at 11 a.m. 9290 Carmel Valley Road (Montessori School). For information, call 624-6057.

YWCA Book Club - 2nd Tuesday of the month, at YWCA, 400 Camino El Estero, Monterey. For information call 649-0834.

Zonta International - 1st Tuesday, business meeting, 7 p.m., at Monterey Library. 3rd Tuesday, dinner meeting, 7 p.m., Surdi's Resaturant, Monterey. For information, call G. Byrne, 372-6585.



Carmel Recreation Offers New Classes

Spring recreation programs are accepting registration for preschoolers, youths and adults in the Carmel Recreation Department.

Junior and adult golf classes are being taught under direction of Jack Guio at Poppy Hills, Saturday mornings beginning March 5.

Youngsters of five years and older will have Ballet I and II taught by Carol Benton, emphasizing personal creativity, within traditional ballet structure.

Tuesday and Friday classes in movement and dance are offered for preschoolers, ages 3-5, for a six-week period.

These are just part of the Spring Program. A complete schedule is available from the Carmel Recreation Department, Fourth and Torres, or call 626-1255.

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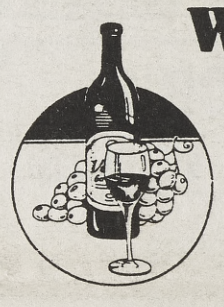

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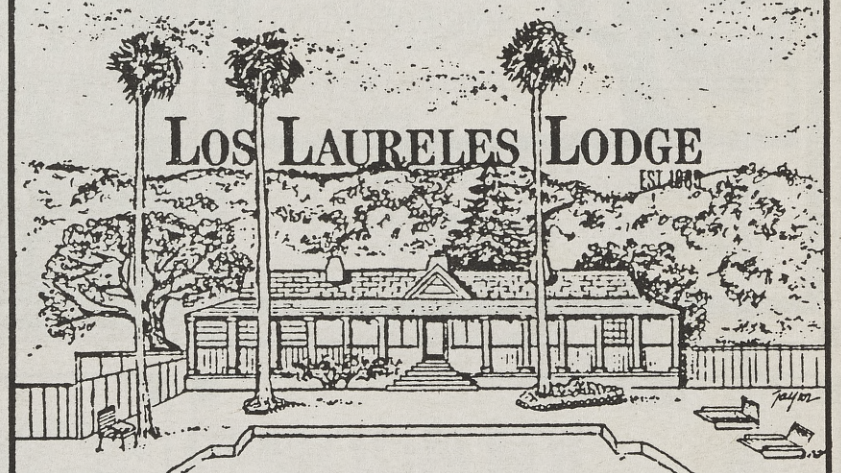

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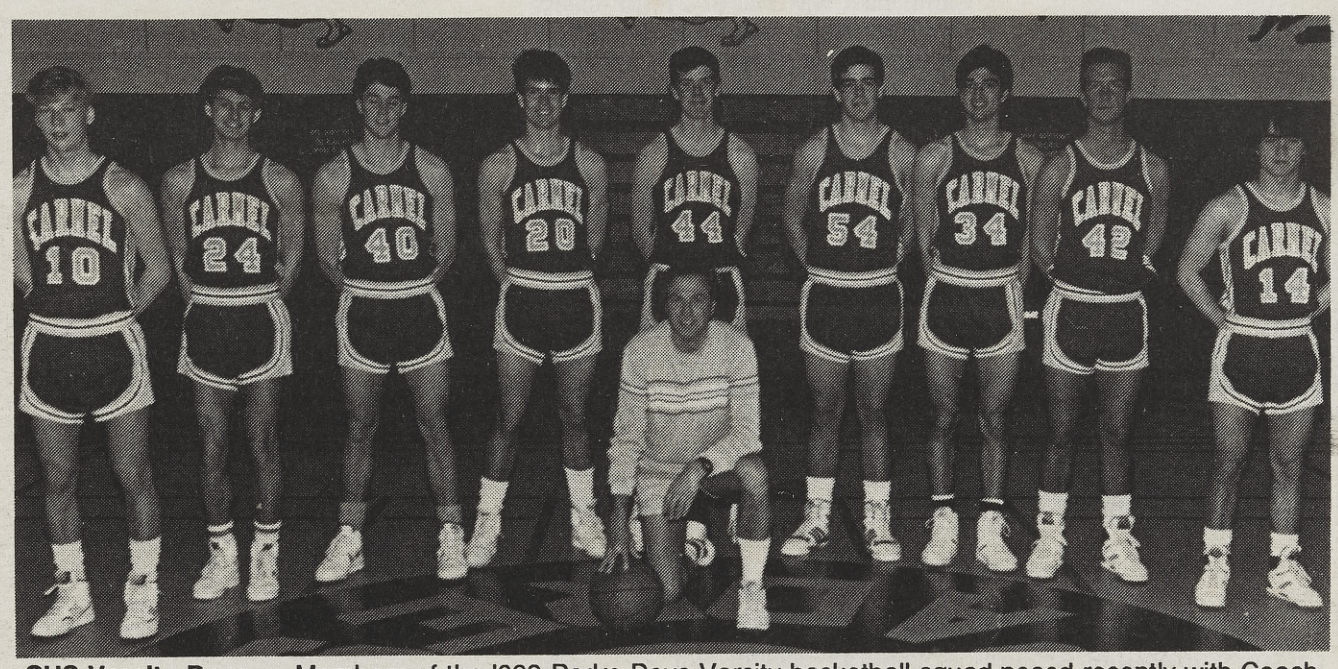
NEW FORUM: Tony Seton, Noon, March 14, The Lodge at Pebble Beach.— — Anne Howland Ehrlich, Noon, April 11.



CHS Varsity Boys — Members of the 1988 Padre Boys Varsity basketball squad posed recently with Coach Rich Franks for CHS Photographer Chris Kaufman. From Left, Stephen Parker (10), Erik Sincoft (24), John Selle (40), Lance Scot (20), Trent Stamp (44), Augie Acuna (54), Dan Silverie (34), Beau Brushart (42), and Christian Nagai (14).

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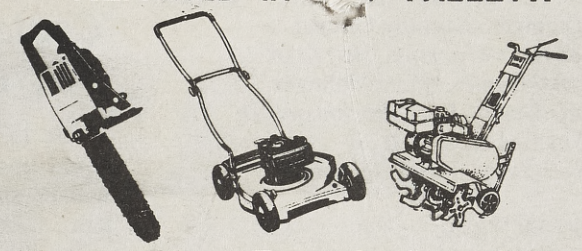

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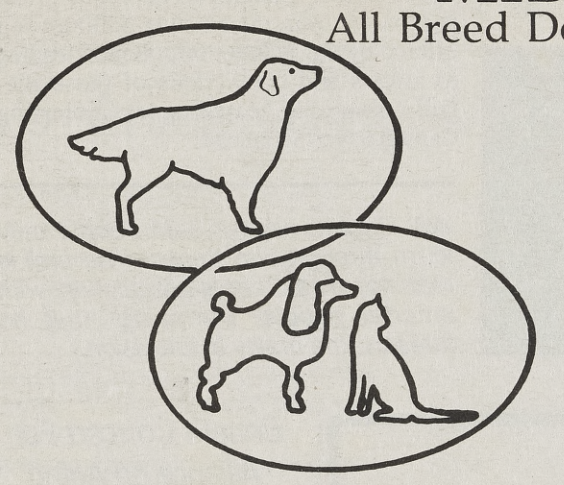

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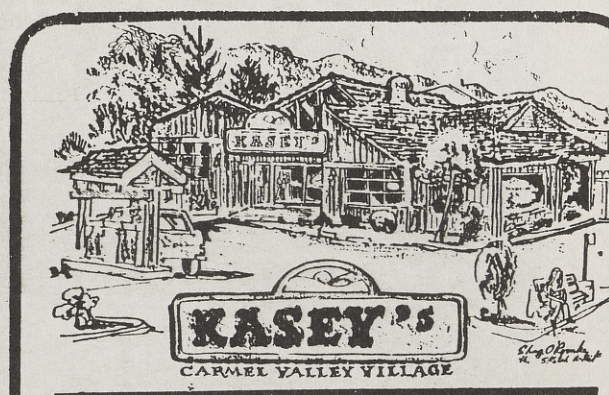

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Mrs. Pollifax & The Golden Triangle...Dorothy Gilman
Deadman's Mooring...Bill Knox
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That Great Big Trenchcoat In The Sky...Marc Lovell
Paco's Story...Larry Heineman

NON-FICTION:

*Trump: The Art Of The Deal**...Donald Trump & Tony Schwartz
*Elizabeth Takes Off**...Elizabeth Taylor
The Mind Of The Maker...Dorothy L.Sayers
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Dream Houses...Mary Gilliatt
Rodin, A Biography...Frederic Grunfeld
The Twilight Struggle...William Attwood
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'Captains Courageous' Screens March 4th

The 1937 film, Captains Courageous, based upon the Rudyard Kipling novel, will be shown Friday (March 4) at 7:30 p.m., at Carmel Valley Library.

The 1937 classic stars Spencer Tracey, Lionel Barrymore, Freddie Bartholemew and Mickey Rooney.

Admission is $2.50 for adults, $1.00 for children. For information call 659-2377. The library is at 65 W. Carmel Valley Road, just west of Nelson's International Seafood Restaurant.

Antique Gallery Marks Opening

The new Maison Val Du Soleil will host friends Saturday, March 12, from 3 to 6 p.m. to observe the El Caminito Antique Gallery's opening in the Village.

Owner Germaine Flock Lestrade has invited friends and patrons to share the occasion.

Valley Chief Briefs Dole And Jackson

Mid Valley Fire Chief Gary L. Carmichael was in Washington D.C. Monday helping brief presidential candidates on rural fire problems.

Carmichael was one of 21 fire chiefs from throughout the nation selected for the program. He was assigned to a small team to work one-on-one with the candidates.

His team briefed Senator Robert Dole and Democratic Candidate Jesse Jackson in the program organized by the National Fire Council

Carmichael, who returned to duty today, was the only California chief chosen. His ability to deal with candidates, through involvement with political campaigns in Southern California and developmental work in fire and life safety programs on all levels, were cited for his selection.

During his absence, Fire Marshall Sidney Reade addressed Mid Valley Kiwanis Tuesday at Hidden Valley.

Poetry Corner

Migrating white crane
Rests on wooden bridge
Swoops koi from pond.
Fuel for flight.

Illia Thompson

(A large bird visited Blackthorne Hot Tubs recently and inspired this poem.)

Donors Sought

Village Vandal Fund Started

A "Vandalism control reward fund" has been established with a bank account at the Village Bank of America.

The fund now has $200 to reward persons identifying those responsible for ongoing vandalism in the Carmel Valley Village area.

At least temporarily, the fund has been named the (Carmel Valley Village Mental Midgets Apprehension Reward Fund).

Sponsors for the fund report Village residents can call in "coded" tips on those causing malicious property damage and destruction, by calling Sheriff's Investigator John Hanson at 373-3344, on the Sheriff's Tip Line.

The new fund has been created to provide a reward to those who provide information leading to the arrest and conviction of vandals in the Village area.

Vandalism in the Village in recent weeks has resulted in several thousand dollars damage to residential and commercial property, signs and public structures.

Persons wishing to contribute to the fund may do so by mailing checks to: CVVMMARF, P.O. Box 146, Carmel Valley, 93924.

The Village Vandalism suppression fund is separate from the existing $500 reward offered by the state for information leading to arrests and convictions of those illegally snagging, catching or molesting Carmel River Steelhead.

Will Rogers always said people only learn through two things: The first is reading; The other is association with smarter people. (Amazing that he foresaw the reality of television.)

Benefit Concert For Alliance on Aging

Monterey Bay Symphony's Benefit Concert for the Alliance on Aging, To Russia With Love, will feature an all Russian program in a cultural tribute to peace between both nations.

The concert will be March 6 at 3 p.m. in Sunset Center, with a Russian buffet at Carmel Women's Club to follow. The concert and buffet is $25 per person.

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Rosemary Matson Honored By County Commission On The Status Of Women

Rosemary Matson, 70, of Valle Vista has been named one of Monterey County's Ten Outstanding Women for 1988, it was announced by the Commission on the Status of Women, sponsors of the award. Ms. Matson, who is being honored for her work in peace issues, will join the other Outstanding Women at a special ceremonial reception at Hartnell College on March 20 at 2 p.m.

Rosemary Matson founded Continuing the Peace Dialogue, an organization designed to improve relationships between the people of the United States and the people of the USSR. In 1982, she led a group of 21 American women on a tour of the USSR to meet their counterparts in Russian Peace Committees.

Rosemary's most memorable trip to the USSR occurred in May, 1987, when she led a group of 24 Californians to Livadia Palace, the site of the historic Yalta Conference between Franklin Roosevelt, Winston Churchill, and Joseph Stalin. At Livadia, both groups signed a profoundly touching statement which then was sent to both President Ronald Reagan and Secretary General Michel Gorbachev, and called for the people of the world, but particularly Reagan and Gorbachev, to end all nuclear explosions and to strictly observe existing arms control agreements. It prohibited using or threatening to use force, as per the United Nations Charter, and it asked that the deployment/development of space-based weapons be prevented.

The Californians and the Crimeans called upon their leaders to establish a "true peace" with respect for international law and the rights of all nations and, finally, to develop friendship and cooperation between all peoples and all nations.

"It was an amazing document," Rosemary Matson said. Although she has no idea whether or not the statement influenced Secretary General Gorbachev's trip to the United States, she said that she "felt vindicated by Gorbachev's visit" and his expressed willingness to pursue the cause of peace.

Continuing the Peace Dialogue presently plans to sponsor four or five trips to the USSR in 1988.

"One group is taking high school youngsters on a trip, and another woman, a grandmother, is taking one hundred grandmothers to meet with Babushka MIRA (Grandmother's for Peace) in the Soviet Union," Matson said.

Despite her heavy work load with Continuing the Peace Dialogue, Rosemary Matson finds time to actively participate in other organizations. She is a member of the Democratic Women's Club, YWCA, World Affairs Council, ACLU (she was once on the Board), Planned Parenthood, The New Forum, and the United Nations Association. She is a supporting member of the League of Women Voters, and helped start the Reproductive Rights Coalition.

Rosemary Matson (center) on a recent visit to the Soviet Union.

"Maggie Kuhn (founder of the Grey Panthers) is my role model," Rosemary said.

"Maggie calls herself the 'wrinkled radical,' and I'm convinced that she is right — older women who are retired can do more to turn this world around than any other group."

Matson attended the United Nations Mid-Decade Conference for Women in Copenhagen in 1980 where she conducted a workshop on women and religion. She also attended the UN Conference on Women in Nairobi, Kenya, in 1985, and conducted a workshop with Soviet women on Women and Peace.

In 1984, Rosemary Matson received the ACLU's coveted Ralph K. Atkinson Award, and in 1986, she received the Ba'hai Award for Human Rights.

When at last there is peace on earth, rest assured that Rosemary Matson, an unassuming, gentle Carmel Valley woman, will have played a major role in achieving caring cooperation between peoples and nations.

Socko League Registration Begins

Carmel area softball enthusiasts can now register for the Spring Co-ed Socko League, which begins March 20.

There will be no more than twelve teams and registration is on a first-come first-served basis. Registration fee for league and playoffs is $220. Call 626-1255.

C.V.'s Grace Darcy Honored By State

Grace Darcy, outgoing chair of the Monterey County Commission on the Status of Women, was honored Tuesday at the State Capitol during Women's History Month for her achievements on behalf of women.

Ms. Darcy, of Carmel Valley, was Editor of the Carmel Valley *Sun*, and is now its Feature Writer.

A founding member of Professional Women's Network, she was named as the Network's first "Woman of the Year" in 1983. She received the Women Helping Women award from Soroptimists in 1986.

Currently, Ms. Darcy operates a freelance writing, editing and public relations business. She is a mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. The awards ceremony and reception were held at the State Capitol in Sacramento on March 1.

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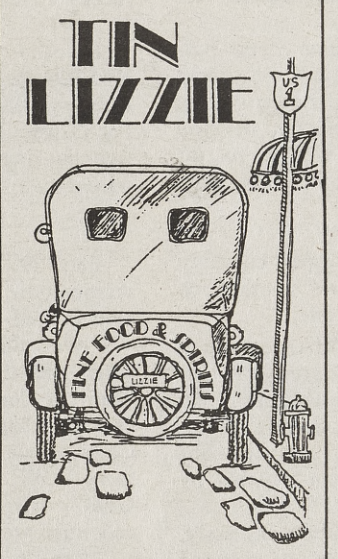

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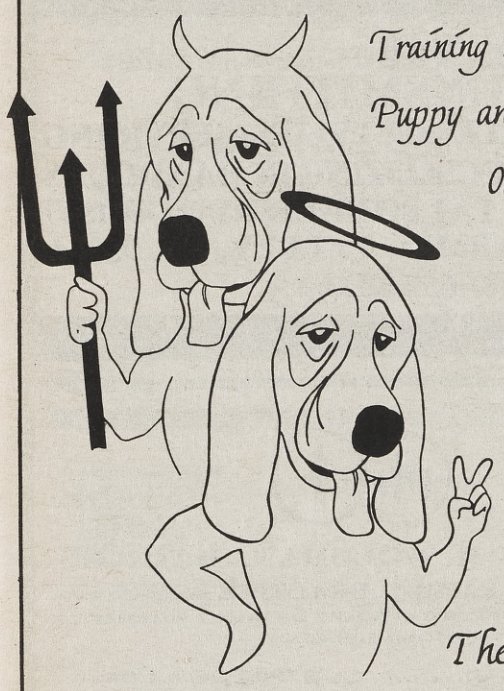

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Someone spent 56 cents for postage to help me this week with solid information. Just want them to know there's no need to use those stamps. Give me a call and I'll come to you for as much Valley knowledge as your time and patience will allow.

I'm probably the first community editor in the Valley for some time, who did not enter a Valley newspaper from the ranks of long-time local activists, with "mucho" local know-how.

Simple fact, I'm making some of the horrendous "goofs" promised up front. Can't "run" from Upper to Mid to Lower Valley trying to get acquainted, and not develop the "terminal dumbs" around midnight, or an hour after the paper should have been "..put to bed."

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Had Glenn Gurries' name typed correctly one place, wrong as "Curries" another, so naturally changed the right one.

Changed CIVVIC to CIVVIA, making it into an association with a president, instead of a committee with a chairman.

Quite honestly, the group doesn't resemble a commitee, of which someone has said, "A camel is a horse put together by committee."

CVVIC doesn't study and debate endlessly, CVVIC **does**. That's the mark of a strong association

Of course, even worse was putting Lou Allaire in the second paragraph as new chairman (or president) and then dropping the whole paragraph. (Lou, you half-way made the headline.)

Finally, I'm advised that Ed Haber is a corporate president, of Quail Lodge's Green Meadows, Inc. ownership. (He so advised in a letter, referring to 50 stockholders.)

Mister Haber has been Mister Quail Lodge for so long, I hope he'll forgive me for making him into a sole proprietor.

It is doubtful the Valley had 1,000 residents when he started planning his dream resort-hotel 25 years ago.

Told Grace Darcy about that "misteak," and she confessed that she had always thought Mr. Haber was Quail's sole proprietor. (Only eased the sting a little.)

Seems only proper that someone, other than Mr. Haber, should say thanks to those who backed his judgement. Together, they've clearly achieved greatness.

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I did every one of those miserable mistakes, so am admittin' 'em here, rather than just with a formal "Corrections Box." Must establish some sort of bonehead record for one issue.

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In case you haven't seen the 40-foot billboard he mounted atop the Plaza Linda Building; JIM CORSO holed an "ACE" on a Par Three hole Friday, February 26, at Rancho Canada. Even claims there were witnesses.

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Feb. 19, The Sierra Nevada Chapter, Association of The Tenth Mountain Division invited me to lunch in the Valley.

I rated this honor for being assigned to work with the Mountain and Cold Weather Training Command during the Korean War era, at what then remained of Cp. Hale, Colo. which was the Tenth Division's primary WWII training base. Many "Mountain Goat" officers, non-coms and training cadremen were Tenth Veterans.

After the Allies were stopped cold for months by Axis armies dug in atop northern Italy's massively fortified Appenine peaks, on Feb. 18, 1945 the Tenth commenced its "..climb into Hell.". A total of 969 died, and 4,154 were seriously injured or wounded during 114 days of savage mountain warfare opening the Po Valley. That's about a 50% casualty rate.

Initially, every Tenth soldier was a volunteer. More than 90% of those men could have sat out the war in "essential occupations," or grabbed "cushy HQ jobs" by virtue of Ivy League educations.

They included many European skiers, internationally ranked racers and jumpers.

They passed tough standards to join the Tenth, proving personal desire and unique skills, while realizing survival odds were short.

One supply sergeant, named Anderson, made sure all supply needs were met, grabbed his gear, rifle and a packboard of "ammo," and joined the assault. His job "dictated" rear echelon safety, not front line combat action.

This month, they remembered him constantly rescuing wounded, and leading attacks on Nazi strongpoints, disregarding the dangers.

He is now offering to follow two other Tenth veterans as Carmel's mayor. For Tenth veterans, active service and volunteerism are forever traits.

Wouldn't it be ironic if a "movie hero" mayor were followed by another of the Tenth's genuine articles?

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Clayton and Bob Lucas of P.G. helped set me up perfectly, before the C.O. of the "Goats" during my years among them, Col. Ned Simpson, walked into the meeting to my happy surprise.

During the early 50's, he earned the respect of every G.I. at Hale as the epitome of what an officer should be. I last saw him in Jan., 1955.

I don't admit to many personal heroes and Col. Simpson would probably still dress me down if I placed any such label on him. So, since he lives on the Peninsula close enough to catch me, I won't.

But, even ex-corporals are permitted to think.

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Made it to a pair of film festival events, including the "Cowboys and Cossacks Ball", with theme entertainment. Frankly, the Cossacks shot the Cowboys out of the saddle.

Lupe and Donna Alonzo wouldn't quit dancin' long enough to help with First Aid.

Tiny Del Rey Oaks stole the show at the Salinas ceremonies before a handful of us saw "The Ballad of Gregorio Cortez," when their Mayor Robert Franco delivered his comments in Spanish. The Salinas mayor called it "Gorgio."

Concerts

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Understanding Why Interest Rates Rise And Fall

The ups and downs of interest rates mystify many of us. We don't really understand why one year we earn 9 percent on our CDs or money-market funds — and the next year get just 6 percent.

In fact, there's no mystery about why interest rates rise and fall, says Shearson Lehman Brothers' chief economist, Dr. Allen Sinai. They simply reflect inflation, the demand for credit, the pace of growth of the economy, the behavior of the dollar, and the monetary policy of our central bank, the Federal Reserve.

To understand interest rates, says Sinai, you should focus first on inflation. The higher the inflation rate — and the stronger the expectations of future inflation — the higher interest rates must be. Otherwise, people will not deposit their money in financial institutions, but will buy certain stocks, real estate or tangible assets, which hold their value well during inflationary periods.

What investors are actually seeking when they demand higher interest rates is a comparable *real* rate of return to what they earned during times of price stability. Real return is the difference between the interest rate and the inflation rate. Historically, it has been 2 percent to 3 percent, but at times in the highly inflationary late 1970s and early 1980s, it fell as low as *minus* five percent. That means people were actually losing money on their investments, even while earning double-digit interest.

The main reason returns on bank deposits and money-market funds are so low right now — around 7 percent— is that inflation has been lower in a 3 percent to 4 percent range. So today's low rates are, in fact, giving investors historically high real returns of 4 percent or more.

Another major force affecting interest rates is loan demand. Money is, in a sense, a commodity like any other. When demand for this commodity is strong or the supply is limited, its "price — the interest rate — rises. Conversely, when demand is weak or supply is plentiful, rates fall.

The demand for money is expressed as demand for loans. Business borrows to build plants and buy new equipment; government borrows to finance new or expanded spending programs; and households borrow to buy homes, cars and other expensive items.

Loan demand is closely related to how fast the economy is growing. When economic growth is robust, business, government and households tend to increase their spending — and their borrowing. With more borrowers competing for loans, interest rates rise.

The activity of the dollar also effects interest rates, such that a lower dollar can mean more inflation, which, in turn, causes higher interest rates, and vice-versa.

Federal Reserve policy is another determinant of interest rates, but it primarily affects short-term rates (i.e., 90 days or less). By varying the amount of reserves it provides to the banking system, the Fed controls the growth of the nation's money supply. And by raising and lowering the interest rate it charges the banks for these reserves, it controls the Treasury bill rate and the federal funds rate. (The latter is the rate banks charge each other for overnight loans.)

Right now the interest rate outlook is particularly unsettled in the aftermath of the stock market decline. The economy has proven resilient so far, commodity prices and measured inflation have not moderated significantly and the dollar has weakened further. These factors suggest higher interest rates very near term. Should consumer spending slow down markedly in coming months as consumers adjust expenditures to their lost stock market wealth and reduced confidence, some relief on interest rates may develop. But it is still too soon to assess accurately the impact of the stock market decline.

Rogue Helicopter

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Guests at Carmel Valley Inn were awakened by the helicopter.

Responding to a flurry of calls, the Sheriff's Department dispatched two cars to the Carmel Valley Airport in case the helicopter were lost or in trouble and seeking a place to land. They parked on the airstrip with lights flashing but did not hear the aircraft.

The last spotting was by a Sheriff's Deputy on patrol at Carmel Point, who heard a helicopter head out over Carmel Bay about 25 minutes after the first call was received.

Deputy Greg Clark at the Sheriff's Department, who was on duty at the time, told the *Sun* on Saturday, "We don't know who it was or what it was trying to do. We just chased a ghost in the dark."

According to Deputy Clark, the Monterey Peninsula Airport tower closes at 11 p.m. After that time, flights in this area are under control of the Oakland Center. That center told the Sheriff's Department that no flight plan was filed, and it had no radio or radar contact with a helicopter in this area. Ft. Ord told local law enforcement authorities that it had no aircraft in the air at that time.

The aerial sleep-busters continued their games Saturday night, albeit not over Carmel Valley as far as the *Sun* has heard. Two large, cargo planes circling over Monterey at 1 a.m. Sunday prompted numerous phone calls to the Sheriff's Department and the *Herald* by residents of Pacific Grove and the Del Monte Beach area of Monterey.

The *Sun* called the tower at Monterey Peninsula Airport on Sunday and was advised the Saturday night activity was "part of a Top Secret military operation," and that no further information could be provided.

Hatton Canyon

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and operationally valid, then there is a portion of funding for the Hatton Canyon Freeway will come from the FHA.

The people attending who preferred the Greiner alternatives to the Caltrans proposal felt that the at-grade problems could be solved by providing adequate signing and other speed-control devices. As one resident put it, "All freeways have to end some place."

The meeting ended with an agreement that representatives from Greiner Engineering, Caltrans and Farr's office would meet to try to develop a strategy to make one of Greiner's alternatives acceptable to Caltrans by ameliorating the safety and operating concerns.

Another working group meeting is planned for March 11. A community meeting to present the design to the public is scheduled for the evening of March 24. April 1 is the deadline for final decisions on concept design for the mouth of the Valley segment. Compromises have already been reached on the Carpenter Street interchange and the canyon segment of the freeway.

Health Class for Parents

Ruth Gingerich, R.N., M.A., Nurse Educator and Practitioner, will conduct a workshop in Carmel entitled "A Pediatric Course for Parents: How to Keep Your Child Healthy" on two Saturdays, March 5th and March 12th, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Ms. Gingerich is a Certified Pediatric Nurse Practitioner and is a credentialed community college instructor. She has taught parental child health classes and workshops throughout Iowa and California, and has fifteen years' experience working with well child clinics and developmental assessment programs.

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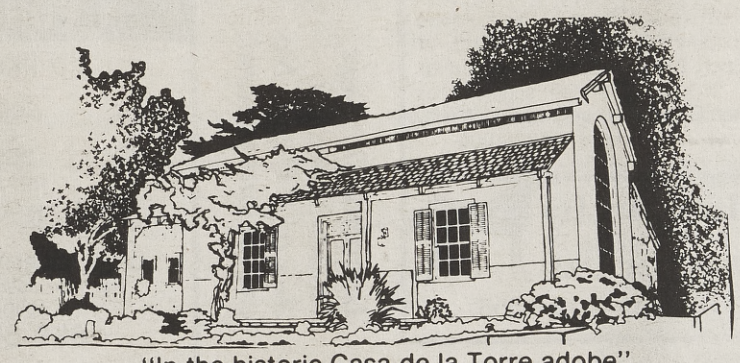
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Oak Leaves Studio Offers Sculptures That Are Naturally Beautiful

Ronda and William Schnute Collaborate in the Art of Wood Carving

By Grace Darcy

When people think about carving — if they do at all — chances are they recall their childhood when Uncle Ned, or Grandpa Sam, or even Grandma Ellie sat on the front or back porch of a now almost forgotten house carving out little toys or simple household gadgets from a plain piece of wood. They called it whittling then, and probably still do.

Whittling was the beginning of William J. (Bill) Schnute's life-long commitment to wood carving. Bill and his talented spouse, Ronda Reinke Schnute, are the owners of Oak Leaves Studio in the Village Center. They opened their studio in Iowa City, Iowa, in 1974, and moved to this area nine months ago.

OWL DOOR— High relief carved oak and stained glass.

Oak Leaves Studio is a collaborative effort. Ronda, who is the designer, production assistant, and business manager for the business, earned her bachelor's degree in Interior Design from the University of Northern Iowa, and her master's degree in sculpture from the University of Iowa.

Bill earned his bachelor's degree in General Science, also from the University of Iowa.

After graduation, Bill entered the Air Force, where he spent the next four years, continuing to "whittle" with increasing artistry.

"In the service, I had to make my own tools," he remembered. "I'd temper and grind and polish the steel for my knives (he made eight of them while in the service)."

In the meantime, Ronda was earning quite a name in the world of sculpture. Before she married Bill in 1981, she received a grant from the Iowa Arts Council to bring her cast-iron and bronze sculptures on tour throughout the state. Called "Sculpture on Iowa," the pieces in the exhibit were inspired by Ronda's memories of her childhood on her parents' farm.

Since marrying Bill, Ronda spends less time on her own work and gives more time to Oak Leaves Studio. In fact, Ronda's work constitutes the matrix from which all of Bill's work springs.

When a customer commissions a carving, Ronda draws the original design. After client approval of the design, Bill prepares the pattern, working from Ronda's drawing.

Several of Bill Schnute's works greet the visitor to Oak Leaves Studio. The beautiful "Fawn Under Grape Arbor" is placed to the front of the display area and can be seen through the window that faces Village Center. It is a large (30" x 50" x 7") relief hand carved from Cherry wood with three geodes inserted under the "ground" whereon the fawn lies. It is exquisite.

Bill and Ronda Schnute

On the far wall, is a multi-layered, incredibly delicate, carving of oak leaves, the intricacy of the work boggling the viewer's mind. All of this remarkable depth of detail is carved from a single piece of wood!

Bill's original eight handmade knives have grown to over 200, and he no longer makes his own. "Knives are like colors," Bill said. "They are a pattern of textures; the more shapes of knives, the more textures."

He agrees that "one knife really could do it," but would require many more cuts, a time consuming procedure.

Behind the Oak Leaves Studio display room are two workrooms. On a huge table in the first workroom is the beginning of an arch which will frame double doors. Ronda and Bill particularly enjoy designing and carving doors.

"A door is the interface for a building," Bill said. "It's the only place in architecture that people touch. No matter how big the building, people go through the door. It's the personal part of architecture, and that's what is attractive to us."

Wood carving is, perhaps, doing business in reverse. "First, clients come to us and describe what they want," Ronda said. "That tells us something about each client because what they want expresses how they feel."

"Then, after Ronda and I have discussed what a particular client wants, she draws the design," Bill interjected. "Then, we sell the design, and once we've sold it, we have to make it."

Stained glass is a vital part of their artistry, adding a unique, natural touch. "We get our glass from the Chicago Art Glass Company," Bill said, "but we need a source out here. We do not buy small pieces and lead them together; rather we use big pieces."

"The glass is treated the same way we treat the wood," Ronda said. "We let the colors speak."

Their work has been featured in many prestigious magazines, including *Architectural Digest*, and Bill's book "High Relief Wood Carving," was reviewed by trade magazines including *Fine Woodworking*, *Chip Chats*, and *International Woodworking*.

If Ronda and Bill prefer to focus on doors, that focus does not prevent their doing other work. In the past, Bill has done carved panels, elegant sculptures of wild life featuring in incredible detail such varied species as Bald Eagles, Sea Otters, and Owls. He also has produced carved signs for homes and businesses.

Despite working seven days a week, Bill and Ronda look forward to doing more commissioned work and to finding broader exposure for their work.

"If we work efficiently, we can do only three to six projects per year," Ronda said. "We already have some designs that we want to work on, and we'd like to see some of Bill's work in hotels and museums in this area."

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Thus Spake Yavor

By Yavor Bachev

Yavor Bachev is a political refugee from Bulgaria who came to Carmel Valley in 1969. He brought with him a Bulgarian tradition of wit and wisdom that he now shares with his friends and customers at Yavor's Deli in Mid-Valley.

Theoretically, every theory can be proven in practice.

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The origin of life goes beyond life itself.

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What's Blooming?

By Marilyn Raynes

These Iceland Poppies (Papaver nudicaule) are a lovely spot of color at the corner of Ford Road and Carmel Valley Road. They have divided leaves with coarse hairs, and slender, hairy stems in a grayed green color. The bright flowers are cup shaped, 1-2 feet high and up to 3 inches across. Slightly fragrant, they bloom in shades of yellow, orange, salmon, rose, pink, cream or white.

Oak Leaves Studio

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"We get lots of pressure to do small things," Bill added, "things like house signs or business, or even small sculptures. We feel we are best at the large items, which few people are able to do."

Ronda and Bill Schnute are successful. Their work graces the homes of some of the world's wealthiest people, and their signs on businesses and homes warmly welcome shoppers and visitors. They look forward to a time when they can hire another person to do some of the work that Bill does not need to do personally: laminating woods, or cutting the stained glass.

Both believe their work has taken on new dimensions now that they live in California. "We've seen interesting things here, and we've met interesting people," Bill said. "Civilizations are measured by the quality of the work their people produce. Our clients insist on the best, just as we insist on doing our best."

Despite their non-stop work week, Ronda and Bill find time to be a family. There are three children, including the latest addition, five-month-old Aiola Joy ("Aiola is a Hawaiian name that means little stream, so she's a little stream of joy," Ronda explained).

They are delighted at the warm reception they have received from their new Carmel Valley neighbors and friends. "People here have been just wonderful," Ronda said.

"I think they're the best, the brightest, and possibly the most restless, which makes them all the more interesting," Bill added.

If it is Ronda and Bill Schnute's good fortune to be living and working in Carmel Valley, then it surely is Carmel Valley's good fortune that they plan to be with us for a good many years.

Seniors' Foot Clinic March 11 Is Free

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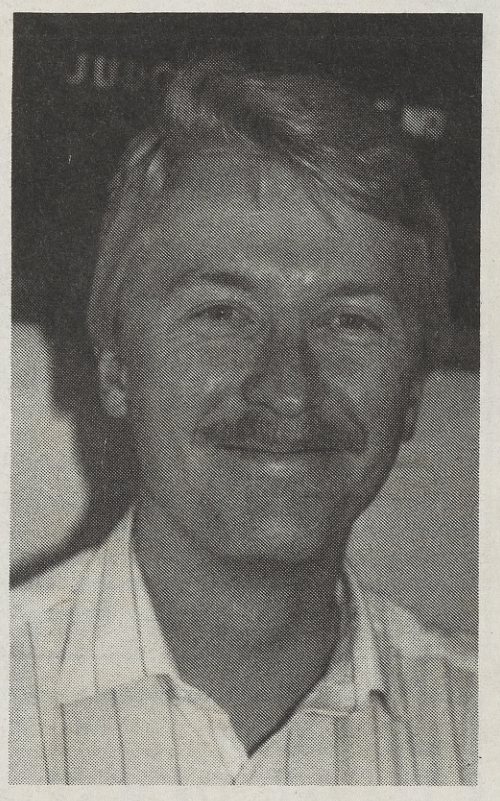

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